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Client Ref. No.: 2001-328-1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MARTINS-GREEN, Manuela et al.

Application No.: 09/811,162

Filed: March 16, 2001

For: CHEMOKINES AND METHODS FOR
INDUCING THE DIFFERENTIATION OF
FIBROBLASTS TO MYOFIBROBLASTS

Examiner: DeBerry, Regina M.

Art Unit: 1647

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Please reconsider the Restriction Requirement mailed January 11, 2002, in view of the following remarks. The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A transmittal sheet;
- 2) A fee transmittal sheet;
- 3) A petition to extend the period of response for 1 month; and,
- 4) A receipt indication postcard.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicants elect proposed Group I (claims 1-8, 19, and 20). Applicants further provisionally elect the amino acid sequences drawn to IL8, SEQ ID NOS:8 and 9, with traverse.

THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the restriction requirement mailed January 11, 2002, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. 121 to one of the following eleven claim groups, which the Examiner characterized as follows: